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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT FILED PURSUANT TO THE
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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §§1.56, 1.97 and §1.98, applicant requests consideration of this Information Disclosure Statement.

Information Cited

Applicant hereby makes of record in the above-identified application the information listed on the attached form PTO-1449 (modified). The order of presentation of the references should not be construed as an indication of the importance of the references.

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An early and favorable action is hereby requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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